Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 26 Feb 2021 until 23:59 on Saturday 27 Feb 2021

Forecast Issued on Thursday 25 Feb 2021 at 15:39 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for mostly settled conditions over the next few days, although low confidence for amounts and extent of low cloud.

Headline for Friday 26 Feb 2021: Dry and bright, cold at height. Some cloudiness across the southwest.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 26 Feb 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
Low Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Sleet	Sleet	Fog	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
30%	30%	10%	<05%	<05%	<05%	<05%	20%

Forecast for Friday 26 Feb 2021

Weather: Some low cloud developing in the hours of darkness with a little light rain or higher summit snow for a time. Then the rest of the day will be dry with low cloud breaking up through the morning to leave some sunny intervals. Extensive low cloud and rain will spread across far western ranges towards midnight.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 60%, clearest conditions in the east, low cloud may linger across the southwest of the region

Visibility: Poor in extensive low cloud down to 450 metres across Lochaber, Skye, Wester Ross and western ranges of Sutherland. This low cloud may linger into the afternoon across Skye, and ranges from Glen Shiel up to Torridon, mainly over southwestern facing slopes. Elsewhere good visibility developing as low cloud disperses by the end of the morning.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	30/36 SW	33/42 SW	33/42 SW	37/46 SW	40/51 SW	42/53 SW	44/57 SW	43/56 SW	38/50 SW
900	27/34 SW	31/40 SW	32/40 SW	35/44 SW	38/49 SW	39/51 SW	42/55 SW	40/53 SW	35/47 SW
600	17/24 SW	20/29 SW	22/31 SW	25/34 SW	28/39 SW	29/41 SW	28/40 SW	26/39 SW	24/36 SW
300	4/22 SW	7/28 SW	9/30 SW	11/33 SW	13/37 SW	12/37 SW	11/38 SW	11/38 SW	11/35 SW
Glen	9/21 SW	8/20 SW	11/24 SW	12/26 SW	14/27 SW	15/29 SW	14/31 SW	16/35 S	15/32 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-1/-9	-0/-8	0/-7	0/-8	0/-8	1/-8	0/-8	1/-8	1/-7
900	-0/-8	1/-7	1/-6	1/-7	1/-7	2/-6	1/-7	2/-6	2/-6
600	2/-3	3/-3	3/-2	3/-3	4/-3	4/-2	4/-3	4/-2	4/-2
300	4/2	5/2	5/2	5/2	6/2	6/3	6/3	6/4	6/2
Glen	7/4	7/5	7/4	7/4	9/5	9/6	8/5	9/5	8/5
Freezing Level*	1000m	1100m	1100m	1100m	1100m	1100m	1100m	1400m	1500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Gales expected on the highest summits

Forecast for Saturday 27 Feb 2021
Weather: Extensive low cloud and a little rain in the early hours. A misty start with some low cloud, this burning off through the morning to leave a dry and sunny day with light winds.

Maximum wind: Westerly 15 mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80%, clearest conditions from mid-morning

Visibility: Poor at first with areas of low cloud down between 200 and 450 metres, this dispersing through the morning. Otherwise generally good visibility

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 5 rising to 10 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 3 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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